

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1-6, 8-10, 12-13, and 15 and ADD new claims 16-17 in accordance with the following:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for creating purchase information, comprising:
 - an account information input/output section that obtains first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service via a network;
 - a storage unit that ~~stores~~stores the first purchase information ~~concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service~~obtained by the account information input/output section;
 - a searching unit that searches the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to a search condition received from a second person; and
 - a creation unit that creates second purchase information concerning an item to be purchased by the second person, based on the first purchase information searched.
2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
 - the storage unit further stores purchase identification information to uniquely identify the first purchase information, and
 - the searching unit searches the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the purchase identification information, ~~as the search condition, which is~~ received from the second person as the search condition.
3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
 - the storage unit further stores person identification information to uniquely identify the second person, and
 - the searching unit searches the storage unit for the first purchase information

corresponding to the person identification information, ~~as the search condition, which is~~ received from the second person as the search condition.

4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 43, wherein the person identification information includes information to identify the second person as a customer who purchases the item.
5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the storage unit further stores item identification information to uniquely identify the item, and the searching unit searches the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the item identification information, ~~as the search condition, which is~~ received from the second person as the search condition.
6. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the storage unit further stores person identification information to uniquely identify the first person, and the searching unit searches the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the person identification information, ~~as the search condition, which is~~ received from the second person as the search condition.
7. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the person identification information includes information to identify the first person as a supervisor who manages the online shopping service.
8. (Currently Amended) A method of creating purchase information, comprising:
obtaining first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service via a network;
storing the first purchase information ~~concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service, in a storage unit~~obtained;
receiving a search condition from a second person;
searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the search condition; and
creating second purchase information concerning an item to be purchased by the

second person, based on the first purchase information searched.

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, further comprising storing purchase identification information to uniquely identify the first purchase information, wherein

the receiving includes receiving the purchase identification information, as the search condition, from the second person, and

the searching includes searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the purchase identification information received.

10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, further comprising storing person identification information to uniquely identify the second person, wherein

the receiving includes receiving the person identification information, as the search condition, from the second person, and

the searching includes searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the person identification information received.

11. (Original) The method according to claim 10, wherein the person identification information includes information to identify the second person as a customer who purchases the item.

12. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, further comprising storing item identification information to uniquely identify the item, wherein the receiving includes receiving the item identification information, as the search condition, from the second person, and

the searching includes searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the item identification information received.

13. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, further comprising storing purchase identification information to uniquely identify the first person, wherein

the receiving includes receiving the person identification information, as the search condition, from the second person, and

the searching includes searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the person identification information received.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 13, wherein
the person identification information includes information to identify the first person as a supervisor who manages the online shopping service.

15. (Currently Amended) A computer program product including computer executable instructions stored on a computer readable medium, wherein the instructions, when executed by the computer, cause the computer to perform:

obtaining first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service via a network;

storing the first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service, in a storage unitobtained;

receiving a search condition from a second person;

searching the storage unit for the first purchase information corresponding to the search condition; and

creating second purchase information concerning an item to be purchased by the second person, based on the first purchase information searched.

16. (New) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
the account information input/output section obtains a plurality of first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from a plurality of respective item lists provided by a plurality of respective online shopping services via the network, and
the storage unit stores the plurality of first purchase information obtained by the account information input/output section.

17. (New) An apparatus for creating purchase information, comprising:
an account information input/output section that obtains first purchase information concerning items selected by a first person from an item list provided by an online shopping service via a network; and
a creation unit that creates second purchase information concerning an item to be purchased by a second person, based on the first purchase information obtained.